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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement
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- (4) Form PTO-1449 with one (1) reference

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Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. \$\$1.56 and 1.97-1.99, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. No fee is required for this submission because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

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